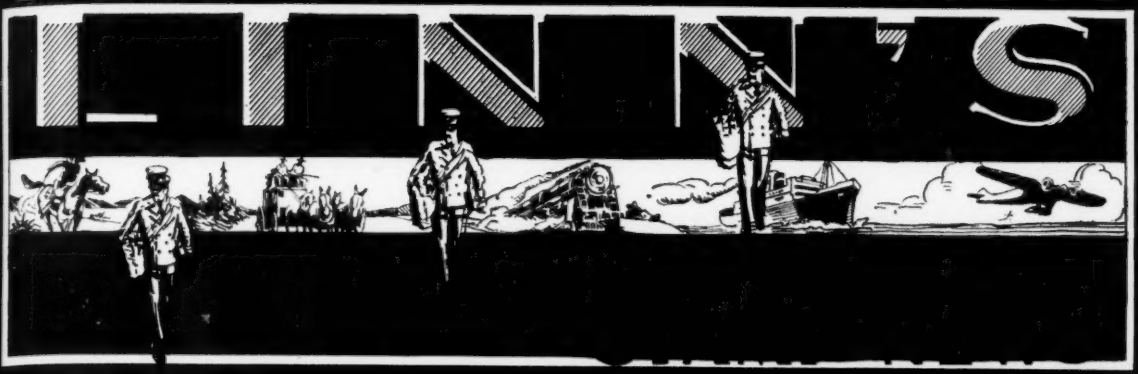

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Guam Guard Mail Locals

By George M Bramann

GUAM, an American possession of the Marianas Group, is situated in the north Pacific Ocean, 1500 miles east of the Philippines and 5,000 miles west by south of San Francisco. This tiny bit of American territory is only 30 miles long and varies from 7 to 14 miles in width. It is under the direct supervision of the U. S. Navy Department and is governed by a naval officer with the rank of Captain.

The entire island is classified as a naval base and so had, under existing regulations up to 1930, no internal postal service, although there was a postal station at Agana, the capital, for receipt and dispatch of mail. The naval officials, as a matter of convenience, had aided in the distribution of the mails since the occupation of the island in 1898. In 1930 the Governor, Commander Willis W. Bradley, Jr., U. S. N., desired to develop the interior communications of the island, improve facilities for inter-city civilian trade, and improve the postal service. Because of the status of the island as a naval base the Post Office would not agree to his plans, but allowed him to operate the scheme as a naval venture, provided he did not call it a "Postal" service. The governor then inaugurated, on April 8, 1930, the "Guam Guard Mail" using the inter-city bus routes for transportation and local officials for distribution, all without compensation. Military messenger guard mail service was post free, as well as was service to navy personnel and their families, provided the sender's name and rank were on the return card.

The first route serviced the principal cities of the island, Agana, Asan, Piti, Sumay and Agat. It was necessary to frank the mail with local stamps, invalid outside the territorial limits of the naval base. These stamps were prepared by overprinting the current 2 (2,000) and 4 (4,000) centavo Philippine stamps with GUAM GUARD MAIL in fancy black capitals at the Federal Public Works print shop at Agana. The service was an instantaneous success and the issue was quickly exhausted.

An emergency issue was printed locally using as a central motif the Seal of Guam, a palm tree and a sailboat on a pointed oval background. These stamps were printed in sheets of 25, and as there was but one cut of the seal available, this necessitated running each sheet through the press 25 times. The cost was prohibitive, and but 1,000 one-cent and 4,000 two-cent were printed. It is remarkable, considering the method of production, that no errors were made.

These first two issues were used up as fast as they were printed and no reserve supply is known to have been secured by philatelists, although from the beginning of the scheme it was realized by local officials and even published in the island newspaper that "the stamps will have value as souvenirs and as exhibits in collections".

A new and larger supply of the 2 and 4-centavo Philippine stamps arrived for overprinting. The 20,000 two-centavo and 80,000 four-centavo stamps of this third issue were surcharged in roman capitals, as there was not enough of the previously used type font on the island for the job. The provisional second issue was withdrawn as soon as this third issue became available.

A fourth and last issue of 175,000 overprinted stamps of various denominations was placed on sale only ten days before the end of the local post on the Agat-Asan route, although they were available for use on the subordinate routes to Merizo and Inarajan until five months later. Five denominations in varying quantities were prepared, as follows: 2c and 4c (50,000 each), 6, 8, and 10c (25,000 each). The 4c was surcharged in purple, the others in red, indelible ink. But a small portion of this issue saw postal duty and all remainders were held for sale to collectors and eventually disbursed.

In setting the type for the surcharge on the 2 centavo stamp, two errors of spelling were made, one on each of two adjacent stamps. The errors were "GAURD" for "GUARD" and "MIAL" for "MAIL". As only 500 of each exist, they may be considered real twentieth

century rarities. The errors were discovered while the stamps were still in the postoffice, and at one time it was alleged that the postal employees removed the errors and sold them at fancy prices.

After seven months of naval administration and operation of this local post the Post Office Department became convinced of the need, usefulness, and practicability of this island service, and inaugurated a star route service on January 1, 1931, over the original Agana-Asan route. Regular U. S. postage was required and the Guam Guard Mail stamps were no longer valid, except on the subordinate routes to Merizo and Inarajan. The star route was extended to these towns on April 8, 1931. This local postal service lasted exactly one year, but provided philatelists with four issues of a local postal service, the first in U. S. postal history since before the Civil War.

The following table lists these interesting issues and gives the numerical data so valuable to the specialist. The highest known auction or sale price of these stamps as mint singles or on covers is also given, as these are the ways in which these stamps usually reach the philatelic market.

The author wishes to acknowledge the preliminary work of Mr. G. W. Brett of Spirit Lake, Iowa, in abstracting the literature to secure the data on which this article is based.

FIRST ISSUE

Philippine stamps 1917-25 unwmkd. Perf. 11. Surcharged GUAM GUARD MAIL in 2 mm. black fancy capitals, surcharge 11½x8 mm.

List No.	Value	No. Printed	Date Issued	Date Exhausted	Price Singles	Price Covers
#1	2-centavo	2,000	5/8/30	7/27/30	.....	2.10-5.25
#2	4-centavo	3,000	5/8/30	7/27/30	.....	2.60-5.25

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Local printing, special design, Perf. 12.

#3	1-cent	1,000	7/10/30	8/10/30	1.00-2.10	2.60
#4	2-cent	4,000	7/10/30	8/10/30	1.00-2.10	1.10-2.50

THIRD ISSUE

Philippine stamps 1917-25 unwmkd. Perf. 11. Surcharged GUAM GUARD MAIL in 2½mm. black Roman capitals, surcharge 12½x9½mm.

#5	2-centavo	20,000	8/10/30	5/4/31	.30	1.60
#6	4-centavo	80,000	8/10/30	5/4/31	.30	1.85

FOURTH ISSUE

Philippines 1917-25 unwmkd. Perf. 11, surcharged as 3d issue except in red indelible ink (4-centavo in purple).

#7	2-centavo	50,000	12/21/30	by 1932	.....	.....
#7a	MIAL er.	500	12/21/30	8/29/31	2.55-	.....
#7b	GAURD er.	500	12/21/30	8/29/31	2.55	.....
#7ab	Er. pr. max.	500 prs.	12/21/30	8/29/31	.....	.....
	Error sheet	.....	.....	.....	26.00	.....
#8	4-centavo	50,000	12/21/30	by 1932	.....	.....
#9	6-centavo	25,000	12/21/30	by 1932	.....	.....
#10	8-centavo	25,000	12/21/30	by 1932	.....	.....
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# 9	34789,	-817,	-820,	-821
#10	21973			
#11	34792,	-807,	-822,	-827

Tenth Far Eastern Olympic Stamps

Stamps of three different denominations will be issued by the Bureau of Posts in Manilla, P. I. commemorating the Xth. Far Eastern Championship Games in 1934. There will be a two-centavo orange landscape type, showing a baseball batter and catcher; the six-centavo will be purple, with a tennis player in action; the sixteen-centavo will be dark blue, showing two basketball players jumping at center for the ball. These stamps will be the largest ever issued in the Philippine Islands and will be placed on sale April 2, 1934. The designs were made by Fernando Amorsolo one of the leading Filipino artists.

The Xth. Far Eastern Championship Games open in Manila May 12th. and continue through May 19th. Teams from China, Japan, Indo-China, Siam, and India have been invited to participate. These games are conducted by the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation. This Federation was chartered by the Philippine Legislature in 1925, to promote and control all amateur sports.

A special committee has been appointed, by the Executive Committee of the Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation, to handle first day covers for this issue for collectors outside of Manila. This special committee will mail Official First Day Covers, with the complete set of Games stamps—2, 6 and 16 centavo values—with cachet, and postmarked April 2, 1934, the first day of sale, at 20 cents U. S. currency, per cover. Blocks of four, on cover, may be obtained at four times this rate. Members of the Service Stamp Collectors of Manila, will assist in handling mail orders. Only centered copies will be used by this group and no straight edges will go on first day covers.

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71	.20	.10	92	.30	.15	108	.13	.08
72	.40	.18	93	.45	.20	109	.15	.10
73	—	.20	94	1.20	.45	110	.18	.14
74	.30	.25	95	—	.75	111	.25	.18
75	—	.25	96	.10	.08	113	.60	.15
78	.60	.28	97	—	.15	114	.04	.02
79	—	.70	98	.10	.10	115	.17	.13
80	—	1.20	99	.30	.12	201	.25	.25
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85	.10	.05	101	.06	.03	203	.20	.20
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Mr. Eidsness is Interviewed

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Mr. Eidsness pointed out numerous lines along which issues of postage stamps could be developed by this country, in order that our stamps might be both more beautiful and more historical. He calls attention to the fact that the forthcoming Presidential series will picture many men whose only claim to fame is the fact that Political Happenings made them President whereas the country is rich with great men of the past whose fame so far outshines many who will be pictured on the forthcoming set, that it is almost ridiculous to overlook them in favor of the Presidents.

On the other hand, a Presidential gallery in one set will be a very nice gesture and doubtless with the heavy sales to collectors this set can be withdrawn in favor of the Pictorial set that has been discussed favorably, without loss to the Department.

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Here is one to start with:

"I was eating some alphabet soup in the Purple Cow Coffee Shop of the Chittenden Hotel one noon in company with some other stamp fans and we were discusing stamps and arguing about what would be interesting and desirable to collect, as I was idly stirring my soup to cool it there floated to the top several of the little cracker letters and they settled in curved lines across the top of the soup in the bowl and I was startled to see that the crackers had formed a sentence, the words I read were

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Now you tell one and we will try to pick out the best ones for entry in the Philatelic Liars Contest. If yours is printed you will receive a membership card in this unique club.

Nibelungen Varieties

Mr. Paul W. E. Forkert of Philadelphia writes relative to stamps of the Austrian Nibelungen set which he has noted in different sizes. He reports the 15 groschen as measuring both 28x29 and 29x27½ mm in width and height respectively, while the 24 groschen comes in both 28x28½ and 28¾x27½ mm.

The slight differences in size might occur due to the fact that the stamp designs are practically square. Thus if the stamps are printed in ten rows of ten, the paper on which they are printed would be practically square and since paper shrinks more one way than the other when wet it would be probable that the sheets were fed into the press in some instances with the grain in a vertical position to the design and in other instances with the grain of the paper horizontal to the stamp design.

This is one way of accounting for difference in measurement.

1/2/34

If you collect covers and postmarks you want to hunt up one for January 2, 1934. 1, 2, 3 4. This date will never appear again in your lifetime, the next time it will turn up will be in the year 2034, one hundred years hence.

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Original Gum

By E. W. CASWELL

In the Sunday Oregonian, Portland, Oregon

ONE of the most important questions presented to American philatelists concerns original gum on the backs of stamps. Perhaps no other group of philatelists in the world places so much stress on the term "O. G." as do the collectors in this country, particularly for our own U. S. stamps.

A stamp described as O. G. means that it still possesses the full original gum just as it was when it was first issued from the postoffice in its virgin mint condition. It is not difficult to see why this feature should be a desirable one, precluding, as it does, the possibility of the stamp having been used and the cancellation washed off in order to again present the stamp as an unused copy. A perfect O. G. stamp represents the acme of condition, at least among the majority of U. S. collectors.

But many are beginning to see a fallacy in this highly stressed O. G. feature. This original gum, which brings the stamp to the height of perfection and causes its owner to point with pride to his aged mint treasure may some day ruin the stamp whose value it temporarily enhances. It seems to be only a question of time before atmospheric conditions will dry out the gum and cause a crack or a lot of cracks in it, and once these cracks start it is just too bad. They will sooner or later eat the stamp alive, break it in two or cause irreparable damage.

European philatelists have never cared much about the gum on stamps, probably because they learned their lesson early. Many of the first European issues, particularly those from Austria and Germany, had such crackly gum that the life of the stamp was very short unless the gum was quickly removed. This made it the accepted custom and practice to immediately soak the gum from the stamp before mounting it in the album, and removed as an asset the "O. G." feature, which, in the writer's opinion, is greatly overemphasized in this country. In the education of the American philatelist the point has been driven home that an unused stamp should have gum on it, or at least have "part O. G.," and the resultant demand for absolutely mint stamps has put a premium on O. G. and a discount on perfectly good unused copies without gum. This attitude on the part of collectors is almost sure to undergo a gradual change as it is discovered that age increases the susceptibility of the gum to drying out and cracking up.

Gum cracks are already in considerable evidence on the 1930 U. S. Graf Zeppelin issue, especially the $2.60 blue; the long, narrow shape of the stamps makes it very easy for them to be bent or curled, and where a crack has started each handling of the stamp will help it along. One friend gave his Zepps a bath the first thing after acquiring them, preferring, as he expressed it, "to have a good set permanently than an O. G. set for a few years."

The overemphasis on gum has been responsible for one of the stamp tamperer's pet tricks, that of re-gumming stamps to give the O. G. effect. Anybody can re-gum a stamp with a pot of glue and a brush or a mucilage bottle, and many people do it because gum is considered desirable. However, it is not easy to fool a real stamp collector with newly applied gum, and here again some education is necessary for the beginners.

Application of new gum very often follows the process of cancellation washing, which is, of course, a most insidious practice and should be a criminal offense. Selling washed and regummed stamps is one of the most flourishing and profitable angles of philately's underworld, but the fact that the stamps are generally sold to unknowing collectors instead of being used again for postage has been an important point in avoiding the hand of the federal government. Washing cancellations generally produces weird color effects in the stamps, due to the acid, and the phoney work is ordinarily very easy to spot.

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The President welcomed us most cordially and brought a feeling to all, that it was just a quiet family party. It was a busy day for the President so things moved quickly. The presentation followed the introducing of the delegates amid clickings of six cameras which was the full quota permitted at one time.

The President admired the beautiful black full leather spring back binding, which had on the front cover in gold leaf the initials "F. D. R." at top, and "Christmas Seals in the United States" at bottom, below which was a double barred cross in carmine and the back of the binder has printed in gold leaf "Christmas Seals in the United States" at top, and "F. D. R. at bottom. He likewise admired the front page which is a wonderful piece of red and black printing on vellum, the inscription reads, "Christmas Seals in the United States. A collection prepared by the National Tuberculosis Association presented to Franklin Delano Roosevelt, President of the United States of America and Honorary Vice President, National Tuberculosis Association (double barred cross in red) at the White House, Christmas, 1933."

The President then told us of a very interesting cover he has in his collection, of which he thought a great deal, especially because the country is now a part of the United States. The cover is from the Danish West Indies and has on it one of the first Christmas Seals issued by Denmark.

In running through the collection presented to him he paused to admire the beautiful multi-colored semi-postal 2 sh. 6 p. stamp of New South Wales issued in 1897 which was to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria and likewise to raise a fund for a home for consumptives. He seemed so interested in that particular stamp that I said, "Perhaps it might be of interest to you to know that that stamp came from Mr. Theodore E. Steinway". His reply was, "That is most interesting and I am glad to know that about the stamp." The delight in knowing about that stamp is no doubt, because the President and Mr. Steinway are both members of the Collector's Club in New York. Upon leaving I shook hands with the President and said, "I hope you have as much pleasure in looking at the collection as I did in getting it together" and to which he replied, his parting words to all of us, "I will take it to bed with me tonight." Those last words show the interest which he took in the collection and indicated that he wanted to be alone and in quiet, like all true philatelists, when a minute inspection could be made.

The collection comprises blocks of four of all seals issued from 1907 to 1933 inclusive. A few varieties of perforations are represented by single copies where blocks could not be secured. Booklet panes are shown in their complete form of three, six or ten seals and with stubs attached when so issued. In each year all types, perforations and printer's marks are shown and in many years essays, proofs, progressive color proofs, etc. are represented. There are seventy-seven pages of seals mounted and written up with minute descriptions of all items which is the form followed in all specialized collections. In trying to locate some items needed it required contact with thirty-nine collectors and dealers in fifteen states. It took five months to gather the numerous items, mount and write up descriptions of them.

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AUSTRALIA—Philatelic Magazine published a report to the effect that the 6p. Kingsford-Smith, Scott's type AP2, exists with the "O. S." overprint. A collector in South Australia possesses a used copy of same.

AUSTRIA—Charity Issue. Current types, overprinted in black "WINTERHILFE" and additional value: New colors.

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(M. Chlumecky)

CUBA—Our publishers informed us that as we are writing this, the story is already on the press, therefore we will merely chronicle the fact that two values of the current issue were overprinted "GOBIERNO REVOLUCIONARIO 4—9—33" in three lines, in black on the 3c with the additional surcharge of four figure 2's, one in each corner and the wording alone in red, with no change in value on the 1c:

A35—1c blue green
A37—2c on 3c violet

(H. W. K. Irvine)
(C. J. Dale)

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC — The overprint noted in our issue of Nov. 25, 1933, has been found in a DOUBLE OVERPRINT, a block of four of said error being owned by a collector in Cranford, N. J.

(Revista Postal)

EGYPT—Further (and we hope more correct) information on the set heralded in our notes of Nov. 4th, 1933. The set of stamps were due to be issued Dec. 17th, in connection with the Aviation Congress held in Cairo on this date. The set is the usual postal issue and NOT air mail stamps as previously reported. The 5 and 10mm. picture an airplane over a landscape. The 13 and 15, a Dornier type hydroplane over the sea and the 20mm. a Zeppelin.

(Philatelic Magazine)

GERMANY—New value, existing type:

A61—1pf. black

(A. F. Turner)

NEW CALEDONIA — The set heralded in our issue of Dec. 23rd, has appeared. Space will not permit listing, but we will note that in addition to the new values chronicled in our issue of Aug. 26th and Oct. 28th, Scott's Nos. 137-8-9-40-1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8 50-1-2-4-5-6-7-8 & 159, make up this set.

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NEWFOUNDLAND — Word has been received that the "Sir Humphrey Gilbert" set remainders were to be officially destroyed, when the set was withdrawn from sale at the close of 1933.

(A. F. Turner)

NICARAGUA—Mr. Edwin W. Fuss, favors us with further copies of current stamps overprinted as per our notes of Dec. 23rd. The 1c., 2c., 3c., 5c. and 6c. postage and the 1c. semi-postal, Scott's #838, as well as one of this same design in an orange color. Whether this is a new color, or just some chemical change of #838, we cannot say.

PERU — Mr. F. H. Hawley, of Cleveland, Ohio, favors us with a lengthy letter, containing some very interesting information on recent stamps, cancelled by punching. Feeling that this data will be read with more interest as a special article, we are writing it as such and same should appear in an early issue, in some other place in the paper, than in this column.

RUSSIA—The 5 stamps commemorating the shooting of the 26 Commissars, heralded in our issue of Nov. 25th, have appeared. 4 kop. chocolate; 5 kop. gray; 20 kop. violet; 35 kop. blue; and 40 kop. red.

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SWITZERLAND—Scott's type A25, printed on new chalky surfaced paper with ribbed pattern impressed on the gum. Wmk. crosses:

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However it is interesting to note that the outstanding item of the sale was a vertical pair of the U. S. 1c coil of 1902 which brought $310.00. We are advised that the limit bid held on this item was $375.00 which should give some idea of the value that knowing collectors place on this rare item. It is also interesting to note that the Hind Collection sold in November did not contain a copy of this pair.

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« Editorials »

EDITORIAL POLICY Perhaps a number of people have thought after reading some of our Editorials of the past couple months that we must have a peculiar Editorial Policy. We have had a great many letters following each of the various editorials in which we recommended the abolition of the Philatelic Agency, in which we urged a Code for Dealers and for the stamp business in general and on other subjects of which we talked.

Some collectors accused us of being pro dealer while some dealers of the smaller type accused us of being favorable only to a certain class of dealer. It has been interesting to read the letters that come to us altho we made no effort to reply to all of them. Much of interest and value has been gleaned from these letters and altho we have letters from some very few who grew quite wrathful we are happy to say that we have had numerous letters from collectors who highly approved of suggestions which we made so that on the whole, we are very well satisfied with the results of these editorials.

As for Editorial Policy, we have an entirely different policy than is followed by most publishers. It is the usual custom for a publisher to write an editorial and then to sit back and read it and ask himself how many subscribers will cancel their subscription if I print this or how many advertising patrons will withdraw their advertising support if I print this. Then if he satisfies himself that one subscriber will quit or that one advertiser will withdraw his advertising support he tears up the editorial and fills the column with soft soap and bologna and that is the reason that editorials in some papers never interest the reader.

Personally, we like to argue any point and can do so without boiling over and getting mad and we believe that the majority of stamp collectors are tolerant enough that they can read the thought that we print from time to time, argue it out with themselves or brother collectors and without any ill feeling towards others.

This then is the secret of our Editorial Policy. We have frankly written and printed what we thought on any subject, without regard to the consequences. Many of our readers have told us that they highly approve of this policy and altho we know it has caused some few to censor us severely, we believe that it has been a safe and satisfactory policy.

POST OFFICE REFUNDS MONEY Word comes from a Minneapolis reader that a refund of $2.50 paid for a Money Order which he sent to a dealer and for which the dealer failed to fill the order, yet cashed the money order and absconded with the money, has been received by him from his local postoffice.

This is the case of George Rowlands of Wilmington, Calif. The advertisement originally published in this paper in the classified columns was mixed up in that the name of a Pennsylvania party rather than the George Rowlands name was appended to the advertisement. Remittances thus made to the Pennsylvania party were held by him and forwarded to us and we then forwarded the letters to Rowlands in California. Of course Money Orders in such letters were made payable to the Pennsylvania party and in the hands of Rowland could only be cashed by endorsement by the Pennsylvania party to Rowland or by Rowland forging the name of the Pennsylvania person and collecting the Money from his local postmaster.

Whichever was done is not known, but it is known that Rowlands did collect money on such Money Orders. When our attention was called to this fraud on the part of Rowlands, which was a case similar to the Saunders case reported in a recent issue, where choice stamps were offered at ridiculous figures for sucker bait, and numerous suckers sent their money for the stamps, we immediately called the attention of the Postoffice Inspector in California to the matter and pointed out that it was evident that Rowlands had cashed money orders which were not made payable to him and that therefore the Postoffice was liable for same because they had not had proper and satisfactory identification.

It now seems that some refunds are being made by the Postoffice Department in these instances, and it is also possible that Rowlands may have been caught and that he has been made to return the money which he obtained from numerous collectors.

Therefore as we pointed out last week, all who have been victimized by the Broadway Stamp Company of Chicago should make vigorous protest and claim to the U. S. Postoffice Inspector at Chicago. We have just sent to this Postoffice Inspector a parcel of letters of complaint that were sent to us.

We have also called the attention of the Postoffice Inspector at Chicago to an advertisement of Rodney Nelson, Fox Lake, Ill., which appeared in the January issue of Marconis Monthly Stamp News, Brooklyn, N. Y. This advertisement by Nelson is similar in wording and offer to one that was published in this paper some months ago after which many of our readers who sent money to Nelson immediately wrote us complaining of the extreme poor quality of stamps sent them as well as pointing out the fact that the material sent in no way

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Comparison of the goods supplied, the advertising copy and the claims of both Nelson and the Broadway Stamp Company lead us to believe that both may be the same party and we have invited the Postoffice Inspector of Chicago to look into this matter.

MOST FRAUDS CAN BE AVOIDED By the cooperation of the honorable stamp dealers in America a simple method by which irresponsible people could be kept from advertising in Philatelic Publications, could be put into effect. Such a plan would do much to elevate the stamp trade by eliminating the crooks and it would also help to reduce the number of chiselers that creep in from time to time.

We would suggest that every person who applies for advertising space in a stamp publication be asked to fill out a blank form which would give references as well as a statement concerning his stock, his knowledge of stamps and information as to how long he had been interested in stamps either as a collector or dealer. For the greater number of dealers a clean report could be given at once and these people would be listed as "Certified Dealers". Then when a new man, regardless of who he was, wished to enter the field as a dealer, (that is use advertising space for the sale of stamps) he would first be required to make application on one of these blank forms and his credentials would be examined and passed on. If found satisfactory, a report to that effect would be supplied to all publishers who are working under this plan.

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L I Q U A H I N J—LIQUID HINGE—how is that for a name for Rubber Cement which is now finding much favor with collectors in mounting stamps. Possibly RUBBER HINGE would have been more appropriate and told the story better.

A PAGE FOR THE YOUNGER COLlector will soon be a feature of this paper. For some time we have considered offers of different parties to conduct such a page and we believe that we have now found a man who will do it in a manner satisfactory to both the young and old beginners.

Buro Prints

Information regarding new issues and notes of interest on Buro Prints only, should be sent direct to the Editor of this column.

T. F. MORGAN, COLUMBUS, OHIO
1278 Brexton Place

If nothing else, the idea of a new set of stamps in the near future will keep our interest in getting the new high values. Although my advice is still, don't pay fancy prices for them. I do not believe there will be another Kingsport, or Liberty. But again, who knows?

A nice letter from Sidney Shayman of Chicago enclosing No. 131, 10c coil from Indianapolis, and a real plate mash. The "Indian" being allmost illegible as is also the final "s". This has been growing worse for some time, as I have checked and found the start, when the "In" just ran into each other. Thanks Mr. Shayman, and may we hear more from you.

An open letter entitled "Cordially yours" by Howard J. Young in the December "Bee" is certainly worth reading. And does he give the "Kingsport" experts the "Razz".

Again we hear the cry "How can any specialist in U. S. fail to collect Bureau Prints?" We find ourself asking the same question, and believe it won't be long until no U. S. collection is complete without them.

We understand a lot of old type 2c Columbus coils were recently turned loose at least one roll having the old missing perforation. Suppose they'll be coming back from the bathtub boys later. I'll be hearing of it.

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202(se)	.10	206	.10	701(se)	.05	705	.07
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F. A. M. 7

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New Orleans Dedication

The Shushan Airport will be officially dedicated February 9th, and the Crescent City Stamp Club are sponsoring a good cachet for the event. Your air mail covers should reach Emil A. Thurman, Cachet Director, Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, before Feb. 5th, if air mail field cancellation is desired.

Following this the Pan-American Air Races will be held at this airport during the Mardi Gras, Feb. 10-13, and the Stamp Club will provide a special cachet in different color each day. The Hendersons have arranged this event and many leading pilots are expected. Covers to Mr. Thurman, at above address.

Claremont, N. H.

C. F. Cornish, who applied the cachet for the dedication of the airport there, gives us these facts regarding same; The official dedication took place Oct. 6, 7 & 8th, 1927, and was not postponed, the weather being nice, beautiful October days, and many prominent aviators from all sections attended. No mail was picked up on the 6 and 7th, but at 10 a. m., 52 letters and 40 cards were picked up Oct. 8th, and flown to Boston, where it was postmarked at 11:30 a. m., the same day. Mail deposited after that was bundled up and sent on to Boston by express on the 9th, and did not get postmarked until 10th or 11th and as the dedication closed Oct. 8th, you can take your choice.

Muskegon, Mich.

Francis W. Beedon of the Stamp Club there Grand Haven, Mich., will probably have air mail service this month perhaps around the 15th, the same being by messenger service from the Grand Haven, P. O. to Muskegon County airport where No. 9 planes now stop. He thinks a cachet will be provided, and suggests sending your covers to the Postmaster at Grand Haven.

Meridian Covers

The Postmaster is still holding about 25 covers which were flown on the First Flight into that city, and are addressed to General delivery. If parties do not send return postage and instructions they will be sent to the dead letter office.

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Germany's Rocket Stamps

In our "World in Review" column of Nov. 25th, we asked for information concerning a reported "Rocket" stamp. Through the courtesy of Mr. Hans Schumacher of Potsdam, Germany, we are able to furnish complete data. The stamps were printed in small sheets, 4x2 stamps, showing a rocket leaving a beach. The proceeds of the sale of the stamps went to partially pay for the cost of the trial flight of the first German mail-carrying rocket. The first issue consisted of a one Mark black stamp and the second issue was printed in dark green in order that the cancellation might be more visible and finally the 1MK. black was surcharged 3MK. in Red this higher value being the rate for letters, as the 1MK. was for postcards. These stamps were used at the first flight of the rocket "HERTA", constructed by Mr. G. Zucker, and of private nature. The stamps were cancelled with an oblong box stamp reading "BEFORDERT-MIT-DER-LENK-BAREN-FLUGRAKETE - "HERTA" - SYSTEM ZUCKER". The cachet showed a rocket surrounded by clouds and another handstamp used also reads "RAHETENPOST-I'M-BROCK-ENGEBIET-ERSTABSCHUSS". After being shot through the air for about 4 kilometers, they were brought to the post office in Stiege and franked with regular postage stamps and thence to their respective destinations. Around 800 pieces of mail were carried.

Philatelic Divorce

The divorce of Schroder vs. Schroder recently tried in the Los Angeles Supreme Court should be a warning to married stamp collectors.

Mrs. Schroder testified in substance that her husband spent too much time with his stamps and did not pay much attention to her. She said that when company visited their home that he would talk a while then go to his desk and start sorting stamps, completely ignoring those about him.

For this treatment she alleges that the action of her husband was tantamount to extreme cruelty and uses this allegation as one of the grounds for her divorce.

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—Capt. L. H. Breker.

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Naval Cancellations

W. J. Kirby, Editor
Dermott, Arkansas

U. S. S. Black Hawk has been issued a new cancel, Type 5k, in recent months; exact date of issuance unknown to the writer. Last cover received bears "CAVITE—P. I." in location spaces; purple ink used.

The U. S. S. Lexington, located at San Pedro, is using a series of interesting postmarks on holidays, as is the U. S. S. Hatfield, stationed at San Diego.

The U. S. S. Relief, hospital ship stationed at San Diego, is continuing its series of historical cancellations. —Cancel on Dec. 11 reads"ROBERT KOCH—BORN 1843." Reference to an encyclopedia shows Koch to have, among other notable achievements, discovered the bacillus of tuberculosis.

Among the many Christmas cancels seen is one from the Pennsylvania, cancelled in red with the words "SANTA CLAUS—COMES AGAIN" between killer bars. In addition a beautiful keystone cachet, in green and red inks, conveys Christmas greetings from the ship.

The U. S. S. Relief, on Christmas Day, used a violet ink, with the words "PEACE—ON EARTH" in location spaces. A beautiful red cachet carries Christmas greetings from "all hands on board."

Covers from Old Ironsides on Christmas bear, in addition to the ships cachet often used, a two-line cachet, in red and green. The cancel is in black, with "SAN DIEGO — CALIF." between the killer bars.

The battleship Wyoming used the words "CUBAN WATERS" in the upper location space on Christmas Day. This cancel, applied in black, has become familiar to collectors during the Cuban trouble, the words not having been changed in recent weeks.

"SPEND A $—MAKE A JOB" has been a standard slogan from the U. S. S. Pennsacola, but this was changed to "MERRY—CHRISTMAS" for that festive day, black ink being used.

Covers sent to other ships for Christmas cancellations have not been received at this writing. We shall attempt to mention all others in our next issue.

Co-operation of our readers will be appreciated, and is absolutely necessary if this column is to be made what it should be. Co-operation this month from Chas. C. Clasky, Gustav Lund, George A. Perry, A. H. Voss, V. Barber, M. B. Owens and W. P. D'Amour. Thanks.

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Precancels

Information regarding new issues and notes of interest on all Precancels, other than Buro Prints, should be sent direct to the Editor of this column.

K. M. GIERHART, BALTIMORE, OHIO

The MAINE section of the catalog is at hand now. I have my copy. It is complete in that it lists Bureau Print and the Washington Bi-Centennial issues. I am informed by Hoover Bros. the publishers that the booklet containing the introduction and style chart will be furnished with each initial order. I have looked over my copy carefully and find it contains many helpful suggestions and notes for the beginner and is well worth the price asked for it. These can be obtained without buying a catalog but you are getting a much better bargain and equipping yourself better by getting a catalog of the state or states you are interested in and receiving the Universal style chart at no extra cost. I am also informed that the publishers still have on hand some copies of the 1930 catalog, the last one issued complete in one edition, and quite a few copies of Part I of the current catalog. Part I contains all the states from Alabama to Louisiana, inclusive.

I have asked the publishers of the catalog for a statement about the Century of Progress imperfs, Byrds and Graf Zep. and here it is: "Information at hand indicates that none of these were in stock in post offices except Chicago, which, if true, brands all varieties except that city as IMPORTS. Those reported will be listed without price as is our custom in such instances, branding them definitely."—W. B. Hoover.

From C. R. McCracken of Minneapolis, Minn., comes a better explanation of the new type of precancel collection that I mentioned some time back. The collection as I conceived and explained it amounts to the same as this but the arrangement is different and is better to my notion. The arrangement is like this, lay out on your page places for 48, 49 or whatever territories you wish to include to make your page come out right. Then starting with page one you place a ½c precancel from each state and territory you have allowed for, page two, your 1c precancels, etc. This makes for no two stamps from the same city on one page as would have been the case in a lot of instances where you used a page for a state. I recommend the above type of precancel collection for those who would like to collect a few precancels but not everything. I also advise those who make such a collection to use either the 1917 issue perf. 11 or current issue in all its perfs if you desire but don't mix issues. I don't believe it would look so well.

The December issue of the Precancel BEE contained very extensive lists of the Century of Progress issue, the 2c Lake Placid and Olympics, and the unlisted items of the Bi-Centennial issue.

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PHILATELIC BALLYHOO

BY WINDY WINCHILL

A Spasmodic Feature of Linn's Weekly Stamp News - - - Published If, As and When

Looks like the boys who are always burning the midnite oil (Hinge) cooking up lengthy epistles of what they think is the why, wherefore and whats of those classic unknowns the August 1860's have now a new field for their guesses . . . those 1831-1848 Greek stamps . . . or are they stamps? . . . and Rowland Hill even got medals for inventing stamps . . . the Greek that beat him to it thought so little of the achievement he didn't even bother letting us know about it . . . Bisects still "happen" . . . from Greenwood, Calif. comes the 1c Franklin torn in half together with a whole one to make 1½c rate . . . Hind spent thousands on his stamps . . . but used "dynamite" hinges . . . dynamite because that's the only way they'll come off . . . Now that naval cover fans are finding their hobby developing into a racket you'd think the boys would try a different brand . . . Here's Spain's "Jaime I" heading for Cuba . . . why not a cachet? . . . as for cancels . . . try the Armadas of France, Italy, Germany and Japan . . . at least, they couldn't make away any quicker with your covers than some of the U. S. ships . . .Postmaster-Generals think us suckers a consistent bunch . . . one club resolutions against Byrds and Grafs, et al . . . then another club hands him curtain calls for issuing same . . . Echoes of the Chicago Fiasco still echo or whatever it is echoes do . . . the prexy of one of the nations most active clubs has sent in his resignation to the A. P. S. . . Garfield Perry of Cleveland sent postcards to all members relative to G. P. Sponsoring an A. P. S. Fiasco . . . lot of the answers started with N . . . Oh, Mr. Ripley . . . Costa Rica Types A43 and A44 with pitchers of Juan Santa Maria and Juan Mora F. are labeled Jose M. Canos and Mauro Fernandez. The steamer on Bolivia type AP 7 was packed piece by piece over the mountains to Lake Titicaca . . . oddest part is, it still runs . . . just a nice bedtime story . . . three of the guys who captured Granaditas (Mexico A46) had their heads removed (without permission of owners) and hung in cages at corners of the building for a decade . . . Egypt will break out in a commemorative rash next Feb. . . U. P. U. Congress . . . the way dealers threw away their shekels at the Hind sale it would appear the boys are darn good bank pickers . . . Harve Lucas of Akron suggests a new word for the philatelic dictionary . . . "Philatocrat" . . . an "aristocrat of philately" . . . Harve also suggests "Philatocracy" . . . the "aristocracy of philately" . . . at their recent conflagration the Visiting Firemen elected Linn's as official broadcasting station . . . Century of Progress will be much better this year . . . no imperfs, hooray . . . cellophane instead of feathers on the fans would improve the attendance . . . a national magazine flooding dealers with form letters sent one to a collector that took no time at all to read . . . it was blank . . . window envelopes are unmailable if they don't bear a printed return card . . .its told of a very obliging dealer who when a customer said "a Byrd please" . . . responded with the Bronx cheer . . . Ed. Adolph (not Hitler) of the American Philatelist who used to publish only "Sarawak 1883 types" etc. is rumored veering in that direction once more after several disasters on more modern items . . . the Phillipines Director of Posts went to court for vindication when his honesty was questioned by a A. P. writer . . . and won . . . then the Chicago powdered footman let go some very narsty fireworks . . . and now some of the bigshots are referred (Dec. issue) in far from endearing terms . . . seems as if Sarawak is much safer to write about, Adolph? . . . an estimated $10,000 is what cachets bring to rubberstamp and engraving industries . . . most of those lightly cancelled blocks on the market now are from Cadams, Nebr. . . . fourth-class P. M.s are paid a percentage on what they cancel . . . the reason the Business Man is out of step on the N R A stamp was to show his legs to prove he's on his feet once more . . . now you tell one . . . .

Railway Cancellations

Many old covers of the issues of 1851, 1856 and even up in the 70's and 80's bring fancy prices solely because they were cancelled on Railway Cars.

This thought should suggest to many collectors who can not afford to pay the prices that such covers bring, that they too can have a specialty and work in a field that will give them a great bit of pleasure with heaps of things to look for and at little or no cost.

Try collecting current issues on covers cancelled on Railway Mail Cars. This is a field that is very large, it will give you great opportunity for hunting for stamps and the cost is so little that it need not be considered.

The best way to get such covers is to try to get hold of the mail from business concerns. Watch every letter that you see, you will be rewarded with frequent finds and the arrangement and classification of a collection of this sort will give you plenty of action.

Some collectors collect these cancellations by cutting them from the envelope, a method which is not objectionable as it makes it possible to mount them in a booklet and thus makes them more interesting since you can always have them for ready reference. Cancellations so saved are usually cut 4 inches wide by 2 inches high with the stamp and cancellation on one piece.

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Boston, Mass.

The Suburban Stamp Club will hold its annual exhibition in the Boston Public Library for an entire month, from February 4 to March 4th. A special cacheted cover of this event is being offered and is advertised elsewhere in this paper. This club has a membership of over 300 with an average of 90 attendants at each meeting.

Sharon, Penna.

The Sharon Stamp Club is holding a large auction sale at its meeting of January 15th. Collectors from nearby towns are urgently invited to attend. We believe that meetings are held at the Thomas Music House in Sharon.

New Haven, Conn.

Employees of the First National Bank of New Haven have a stamp club which is known as The First National Stamp Club. Stamp Clubs wholly within banks are known in several other cities. The First National Stamp Club elected officers for 1934 at its December meeting and installation was made at the meeting of January 9th.

Grand Rapids, Mich.

At the Fifth Annual Stamp Show of the Grand Rapids Stamp Club, held in December, first prize was won by Mr. Charles L. Brisley of Detroit, for his display of Canada. Other notable exhibits were the Canadian stamps of Frederick T. Norris, a frame of stamps by Dr. Hennan of Chicago, and a collection of Harding Precancels by E. Karl Bastrass of Chicago. Over 1300 people attended the show.

Chicago, Illinois

The Hawthorne Stamp Club at the Western Electric Company has elected J. P. Rux as president for 1934. At the first meeting this year, January 4th, F. W. Peters gave an illustrated lecture on India and the Orient. He also spoke on a National Federation of Stamp Clubs.

New York City

The Empire State Philatelic Society will hold its January 16 meeting at the Hotel Lucerne, West 79th Street. At this meeting Mr. Howard G. Young, recently elected president of the New York Precancel Club, will show his collection of Venezuela and talk on the subject. Come to this meeting and bring your Venezuela stamps for comparison or trading.

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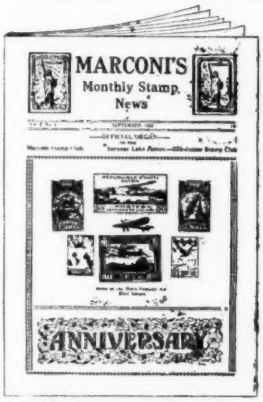

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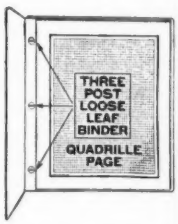

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